## Christmas season has officially arrived Flora Market unveils their Christmas store for 2007

Flora Market, located on the Avineda Milo Croes in Dakota officially opened their Christmas "store within a store" on Thursday evening with a sumptuous party. Those attending agreed it was a splendid, elegant event, which embodied the spirit of the holiday season.

It was most definitely "Christmas in October" at the huge home and garden store, with lovely, live Christmas angels blowing snow in everyone's hair. Magnificently decorated trees in a variety of color schemes sparked imaginative ideas for those that feel that the season is the time to transform their home into a holiday retreat. Feathers and fun were an important part of the design ideas, with brilliantly colored peacocks, butterflies, and Mardi Gras masks adorning stunningly decorated trees.

El Gaucho restaurant had a message for all those planning large Christmas parties, "Don't have a cow! Let El Gaucho do it all!" as they gave out adorable stuffed animal cows with their Christmas menus attached. At the end of the evening, El Gaucho additionally awarded ten dinners for two at their restaurant when Flora Market Manager REO pulled the names out of the raffle bin.

The team from Taste of Belgium distributed delicious snacks from under a manger where an animated Virgin Mary watched over events, and guests were greeted by the beautiful voice of soprano Nicole on the roof of the Flora Market main entrance singing "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas," an apt choice of song for Aruba. Arion Wine Company provided a sampling of the Ravensbrook vintages that could perfectly enhance and compliment their holiday meals.

Many consider the Flora Market opening of their Christmas store a sure sign the holiday season has arrived, and Thursday's gala event greeted it in style!